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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
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T. JACKSON,  
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Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, February 27, 1878.

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

MR. WILLIAM HENRY HARTON, JR., is this Day admitted a Partner in our Firm.

GILMAN & Co.  
Hongkong and Foochow,  
May 1, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.  
China, March 8, 1878.

## NOTICE.

I BEG to notify that, by permission of the Board of Directors of the ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, I have resigned my duties as GENERAL MANAGER of the said Company, and that all my Responsibility in the transactions of the same ceased on the 30th of April.

POON PONG,  
(Chinese name) POON WING CHUN,  
Hongkong, May 1, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Underigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Ties Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts due to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN,  
Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

## NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Underigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEONG YOK CHU, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,  
Leases of the Hongkong Chinese Mail,  
Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

## For Sale.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS REFINERY MANUFACTURES.

LOAF SUGAR, (in 5, 10, and 15 lbs. Loaves.)  
Cut and Powdered LOAF SUGAR.  
CUBE SUGAR (Lyle's Patent), shortly, CRYSTALLIZED SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) A IIII.  
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COFFEE SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) B I.  
GOLDEN SYRUP, SYRUP, and MOLASSES.  
SPIRITS OF WINE and LAMP SPIRIT.  
RUM, 45°, 80°, O. P., and Naval.  
ANIMAL CHARCOAL and DUST.  
AMMONIACAL LIQUOR, from Bones.  
BONE TAR (a preventive of white ants).  
ROUGH BONE TALLOW.

Packed in Quantities and Packages to suit Customers.

Particulars and Prices on application to THE MANAGER, CHINA SUGAR REFINING Co., Limited, East Point, Hongkong.

March 5, 1878.

## FOR SALE.

THE 90 A 1 BRITISH STEAMSHIP "ARGENTINO," 915 Tons Register (1425 Tons Gross). For Particulars, apply to the Captain on Board.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

## NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EYRE, Ph.D. Lingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KILBY & WALKER, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

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BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM COAL for Sale, ex Godown.

Apply to BATTLES & Co.  
Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

## WASHING BOOKS.

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

## To Let.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 8, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.  
Houses No. 2, and 6, Seymour Terrace.  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

## TO LET.

THE Dwelling House No. 6, Mosque Terrace, possession from 15th April next.  
Three Offices, in Club Chambers.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

## Intimations.

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.

Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

## A LAUDATORY NOTICE.

THE Underigned, Passenger by the O. S. S. Co.'s Str. *Deucalion*, begs publicly to signify his sense of gratitude for the great kindness of Captain BROWN, Dr. PORT, and Mr. SIR KWOK FU, Chief Cook of the said Steamer, for the recovery of 180 sovereigns which were stolen by one of the passengers during the voyage from Singapore to Hongkong on March last, particularly for the good-heartedness they showed in recovering the same. As a mark of gratitude, he begs to tender publicly his sincere thanks to Captain BROWN, Dr. PORT, and the Chief Cook.

YEONG TEUN FOW.  
Hongkong, May 2, 1878.

## For Sale.

COPE'S "GOLDEN CLOUD."

A MIXTURE highly approved by Smokers.

NEW SADDLES, BRIDLES, and HARNESS.

POOL BALLS, and PYRAMID POOL BALLS.

ICE CHESTS.

FRENCH COFFEE MACHINES.

THE NEW ELECTRO-PLATED READING LAMPS.

BRONZE KETTLES, with SPIRIT LAMPS.

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THE ROYAL NAVY LIST.

WALKING STICKS.

SUPERIOR MANILA CIGARS.

PITH HATS, in various Shapes.

SILBER TABLE LAMPS,

=22 to 25 CANDLE LIGHT.

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A BROADWOOD'S Semi-Grand PIANO, For Sale or Hire.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, April 12, 1878.

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GREAT REDUCTION in the PRICE of Plain Coloured GLASS SILKS. For a short time only. We shall offer various Colours at one uniform Price, 60 Cents per Yard, some slightly soiled but all admirably suited for Summer Wear, Evening Dresses or Undershirts. Our usual Price for these Goods is \$1.25 per Yard.

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WHITE DRESS GOODS, in Endless Variety.

COLOURED FRENCH LAWNS, Wash and Wear Well.

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BLACK GRENADES, Special Make.

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NEW FEATHERS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS.

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BABY LINEN and LADIES' UNDERCLOTHING.

FRENCH and ENGLISH CORSETS, New Shapes, and GLOVE FITTING.

FINE WHITE FLANNELS, made specially for Summer Wear.

FINE INDIA LOON CLOTHS.

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DRESS-MAKING and MILLINERY.

SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE, Queen's Road, and Stanley Street.

## Intimations.

CHINA Famine Relief Fund.

THE AMOUNT COLLECTED to Date aggregates \$12,390.89. Gentlemen desirous of Contributing are requested to forward their Subscriptions to T. JACKSON, Honorary Treasurer, at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK.

Hongkong, April 5, 1878.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

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J. W. ALLEN, Vice-President.

SAMUEL BOROWITZ, Secretary.

A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE, 120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

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Surplus.....\$ 5,500,000

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to Accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars, apply to

OLYPHANT & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

ATONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,

H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER,

and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographs of the Ruins and destructions at Canton, caused by the Tornado of the 11th Instant. Coloured Photographs of English Ladies, Russia Leather, Velvet, Morocco, and Carved-wood Photographs Albums; Scrap Books, Armorial Monograms and Postage Stamp Albums; Frames and Cases, Gift Moulding for Frames, all of assorted sizes, tastes and prices.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

The above has the pleasure to inform his numerous Customers and the Public of Hongkong, that his Photographic Establishment is removed to the Newly-erected Commodious Building in Queen's Road Central, next to Messrs SANDER & Co.'s.

Hongkong, April 22, 1878.

## Intimations.

STANDARD FIRE OFFICE, LONDON.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

DISCOUNT 20 %

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

PIANOFORTE TUNING.

MR. A. HAHN begs to announce to his Patrons that he has changed his Residence from Praya East to No. 19, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, where Orders may be left, or at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

Volume Sixth of the "CHINA REVIEW."

No. V.—Vol. VI.

—OF THE—

"CHINA REVIEW"

WILL BE READY IN A FEW DAYS.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, May 2, 1878.

DEVOE'S BRILLIANT OIL.

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our pack-

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THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING Co., 80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets, NEW YORK, U. S. A.

## Intimations.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG CLUB will be held at the Club House, on MONDAY, the 13th Instant, for the purpose of Confirming the Resolution carried at the last Yearly General Meeting.

A Copy of the Resolution is posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order, EDWARD BEART, Secretary.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Underigned until Noon on THURSDAY, the 9th Instant, for the Construction of a SEA WALL, in front of the STEAM FACTORY BUILDINGS, Royal Naval Yard, Hongkong.

Plans and Specifications may be seen and further particulars obtained on Application.

JOHN BRENNER, Naval Storekeeper.

H. M. NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, May 2, 1878.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, April 20, 1878.

## Shipping.

## Steamers.

FOR FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "GLENFINLAS,"

H. G. WILCOX, Commander, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 8th Instant, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 2, 1878.

## Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Bark "DEYANA,"

W. MAX, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Ship "TITAN,"

B. F. BERRY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1878.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Bark "CONCHITA,"

AMAZ, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, &c., apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Bark "P. J. CARLETON,"

AMERBURY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 8, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 American ship "ELCANO,"

BARRETT, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 1, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 German Ship "WEGA,"

JACHENS, Master, will load here as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 25, 1878.

## Notices to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Emeralda*, from Manila, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Underigned at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Macdon*, from Manila, are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored in the Godowns of the Underigned at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, May 1, 1878.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Japan*, Capt. H. DE SMIDT, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

GERMAN STEAMER *FEONIA* SCHULTZ, Master, FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Underigned, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Steamer, alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 10th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless written notice to the contrary is given until 4 p.m. To-day.

WM. POSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 4, 1878.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. *LOMBARDY*, AND *MALWA*.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel, from London, Bombay, and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the Steamer *PERLIN* from Calcutta, and *SIAM* from Australia, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date.



## Intimations.

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 84.

## CHINA SEA.

RIVER MIN—FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

THE following dangers have recently been examined by H.M.'s Surveying Vessel "Nasau," Captain R. H. NAPIER, R.N., in charge of Survey:—

1.—"BENJAMIN AYMAR" ROCK. This rock, on which the American barque "BENJAMIN AYMAR" struck in January, 1878, consists of a small rocky patch with 8 feet of water on its shallowest part at L. W. Springs. A depth of from 9 to 10 fathoms was obtained in every direction at a distance of 14 cables from it, the bottom being mud.

Changchi Peak bears N. 68° E. from the rock.

Middle Dog Lighthouse bears S. 37° E. from the rock.

Sea Dog Summit bears S. 69° E. from the rock.

Sea Cat Summit bears S. 71° E. from the rock.

2.—"NORMAN COURT" ROCK. This rock consists of two pinnacles lying in a North and South direction and distant 14 cables from each other. The Southern One is distant 44 cables from Flat Rock, and has 9 feet of water over it at L. W. Springs, with deep water close around, but a rocky ledge with 6 fathoms over it extends 14 cables to the S.E. by S. of it. The Northern One has only 6 feet over it at L. W. Springs. There is also a rocky patch with 24 fathoms over it, to the S.E. ½ E. of Flat Rock, and distant from it 24 cables.

Flat Rock Summit bears N. 7° 10' W. from the S. pinnacle.

Changchi Peak bears N. 16° E. from the S. pinnacle.

Sea Dog Summit bears S. 6° W. from the S. pinnacle.

Sea Cat Summit bears S. 8° W. from the S. pinnacle.

3.—"PILOT ROCK." This danger (described at Page 278 of the China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1874, as lying 8 miles East from Sea Cat, but unnamed), is 8½ miles from the Sea Cat, and consists of a PINNACLE of small extent on which the sea breaks at L. W. Springs, there then being about 1 foot of water over it.

Changchi Peak bears N. 17° W. from the rock.

Sea Cat Summit bears S. 6° W. from the rock.

Sea Dog Summit bears S. 63° 16' W. from the rock.

This notice affects Admiralty Charts Nos. 1,382, 1,761, and 2,400.

All Bearings are Magnetic.

Variation in 1873 1° West.

By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,

Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineer's Office,

Shanghai, 16th April, 1878. my8

## To-day's Advertisements.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON &amp; CO.

## HAVE FOR SALE.

VEYRON'S FRENCH COFFEE

MACHINES, Assorted Sizes, New

System, with Automatic Lamp.

COFFEE ROASTERS, and COFFEE

MILLS.

SETS OF GARDENING UTENSILS.

GENTS' TOOL CHESTS.

MASSEY'S PATENT LOGS.

METALLIC MEASURING TAPES,

in strong Leather Cases.

SPIRIT LEVELS, HAMMERS.

DOGS COLLARS and CHAINS.

SAILORS' SEWING and ROPING

PALMS.

COPPER SIGNAL LAMPS, and MAST-

HEAD LAMPS, fitted with Dioptric

Lenses according to the latest Admiralty

regulations.

DIOPTRIC LENSES for Signal Lamps.

PORTHOLE GLASSES, assorted sizes.

BOOKS.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE BOOKS.

LETTER'S DIARIES, for 1878.

NOVELS, SCHOOL BOOKS.

WORKS OF REFERENCE and GIFT

BOOKS.

SHEET MUSIC and SONGS.

IMPERIAL TRADING PAPER.

RODGER'S CELEBRATED CUTLERY.

MAPPIN BROS.'S SCISSORS.

MANIFOLD WRITERS.

LETTER SCALERS.

STATIONERY OF ALL KINDS.

BROWN WRAPPING PAPER.

CARD-BOARD, Assorted Colours.

DATE RACKS, INVOICE FILES.

QUILL PEN-MAKING MACHINES.

UNDERWOOD'S BLACK WRITING

## To-day's Advertisements.

MacKEN, FRICKEL &amp; Co.

BEG to Announce that they have com-

pleted Arrangements for Carry-

ing on the Business

of

AERATED WATER

MANUFACTURERS,

in connection with their

WINE TRADE.

The Quality of the Aerated Waters manu-

factured is guaranteed to be First-class,

the Machinery and Chemicals being New,

and the Best which can be imported.

13, Queen's Road, and 22, Praya,

Hongkong, May 6, 1878.

PRICES. Per Dozen.

SODA WATER, ... 40 CENTS.

LEMONADE, ... ..50 "

TONIC WATER, ... ..50 "

GINGERADE, ... ..50 "

POTASS WATER, ... ..50 "

SALTZET WATER, ... ..50 "

SARSAPARILLA WATER, ... ..75 "

LYTHIA WATER, ... ..75 "

SODA WATER in large Syphons, 75 "

A Reduction on these Prices is made

on Orders of over Three Dozen. Bottles

charged, if not returned. my21

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF

CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FIRST BONUS of ten per cent upon

contributions and an interim dividend

of Sixty dollars per Share for the year 1877

will be payable on MONDAY NEXT, the

18th Instant.

Warrants may be had on application at

the Office of the Society on and after the

11th Instant.

By Order of the Board,

E. MOORE,

Act. Secretary. my14

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAIWANFOO

AND TAMSUI.

The Steamship

"HAILONG."

Captain GOODE, will be de-

parted for the above Ports

on WEDNESDAY, the 8th Instant, at

Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.

Hongkong, May 6, 1878. my8

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The British steamer

"BENZEDIN."

Capt. BUCHANAN, will be de-

parted for the above Ports

on WEDNESDAY, the 8th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

HOP KEE & Co.

Hongkong, May 6, 1878. my8

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Venice having arrived from

the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo

are hereby requested to send their Bills of

Lading to the Undersigned for counter-

signature, and to take immediate delivery

of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at

once landed and stored at Consignee's risk

and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, May 6, 1878. my13

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Owners will be Responsible for any

## ARRIVALS.

May 6, Hailong, British steamer, 277.

E. P. O. Goods, Tamsui May 1, Amoy 3,

and Swatow 4, General.—DOUGLAS LARPAIK

& Co.

May 5, Jessie McDonald, British 3-m.

scholar, 275, St. John, Chedoo April 17,

General.—CHINESE.

May 5, Quinte, German steamer, 874.

Wrang, Saigon April 30, Salt and Rice.—

SOY SHING.

May 5, Parsee, British steamer, 1014, W.

Sergeant, Saigon April 30, Rice and Salt.—

MULCHERS & Co.

May 6, 5.80 a.m., Puyee, Chinese str.,

950, A. Croad, Shanghai May 2, 10.30

a.m., General.—O. M. S. N. Co.

May 6, Friam, British steamer, 1672, S.

H. Butler, Shanghai April 28, and Amoy

May 6, General.—BUNNARD & STEWART.

May 6, Mangerton, British barque, 330,

G. W. Thompson, Quinhon April 27, Salt

CHINESE.

May 6, Flinthire, British steamer, 1243,

Thomas, Bangkok April 28, Rice.—H.

KIER & Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 5, Orestes, for Yokohama.

5, Pacific, for Yap (Caroline Group).

5, Hans, for Whampoa.

5, Emerald, for Amoy.

5, Bellona, for Saigon.

5, Tigre, for Shanghai.

5, Tigre, for Yokohama.

5, Glenarney, for Hankow.

5, Sun-kee, Chi. R. C., for a cruise.

5, H. M. S. Swinger, for Yokohama.

5, H. M. S. Jagger, for a cruise.

5, Fuyee, for Canton.

5, Black Prince, for Foochow.

5, Douglas, for Coast Ports.

5, Orestes, for Bangkok.

5, Orissa, for Yokohama.

5, Lombardy, for Shanghai.

5, Macon, for Manila.

5, Yangtze, for Shanghai.

5, H. M. S. Vigilant, for Yokohama.

5, Boston, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Zamboanga, for Halphong.

Hudson, for Cebu.

Maids of Judah, for Takow.

Foronia, for Shanghai.

Antioch, for Vancouver's Island.

Dauphin, for Bangkok.

Malabar, for Nilgiris.

Lady Penrhyn, for Cebu.

PASSENGERS.

Per Venice, from Singapore, Mr. Mans-

field, and 285 Chinese deck.

Per Hailong, from Amoy, &c., Dr.

Martin, and 66 Chinese deck.

Per Fuyee, from Shanghai, Mr. F. K.

Thompson, and 50 Chinese.

Per Friam, from Shanghai and Amoy,

Mr. and Mrs. Hatfield, Mr. P. R. Smith, and

380 Chinese.

Per Parsee, from Saigon, 1 European and

75 Chinese.

Per Quinte, from Saigon, 2 Chinese.

Per Flinthire, from Bangkok, 60 Chi-

nese.

DEPARTED.

Per Orestes, for Yokohama, Messrs J.

Pittman, Taro Ando and Mrs. Ando.

Per Tigre, for Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. John-

son, and maid servant, Rev. L. Lemonier,

Ver Linden, Messrs Bullock, C. A. Lord,

Haskell, V. Battelle, Feraud and friend;

## POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Ironvaddy* will

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SATURDAY, the 11th May, with

Mails to and through the United

Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-

seille; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata-

vila, Galle, Australia, New Zea-

land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-

chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva,

and Alexandria.

This is the best

opportunity for forwarding Corre-

spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,

St. Helena, and Amoy.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA

by this Packet.

The following will be the hours of closing

the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, May 10th.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post

Office closes except the Night Box,

which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 11th.—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of

Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late

Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with

Luxa Fax of 18 cents extra

to Postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes

entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)

addressed to the United Kingdom



brought before the Court, but said that he had no idea it was going to assume its present form. Mr Francis said there could be no fresh evidence brought forward, but as neither the Chief Justice nor the Registrar had taken any notes of the evidence produced before, he (Mr Francis) would have to put it in now word for word. Their Lordships, after hearing the evidence, reserved their decision.

The following notice to mariners has been issued by order of the Inspector General of Customs:

**YANGTZE RIVER—SHANGHAI DISTRICT.**  
Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd instant the *Kiutoan* Light-vessel, showing a *Red* light, was moored in a narrow channel, and in five fathoms at low water spring tides, with the Kiutoan Lighthouse bearing S. 87° W. magnetic, and distant about 1.6 nautical miles. The Light is a catoptric one, elevated 35 feet above the sea, and in clear weather it should be visible from a distance of 11 nautical miles. A small white light is exhibited from the fore-stay, at a height of 6 feet above the rail, for the purpose of showing in what direction the vessel is riding. The light-vessel is painted red, with the word "KIUTOAN" in white letters on each side, and she has one mast surmounted by an 8-foot black ball. In foggy weather a 10-watt fog-bell will be struck twice double blow in each minute, the interval between the blows of each pair being 5 seconds, and between two successive pairs of blows, 15 seconds. If the light-vessel be driven from her proper position to one where she is of no use as a guide to shipping, the usual light will not be exhibited, but a fixed red light will be shown at each end of the vessel; the ball will be struck as soon as possible, and till struck it will be surmounted by a red flag.

**Kiutoan Lighthouse.**—The light formerly shown from the Kiutoan Light-house (No. 24 in the 1878 or Sixth List of the List of Chinese Lights), has been discontinued.

**No. 1 Blockhouse Shoal Buoy.**—The No. 1 Blockhouse Shoal Buoy (No. 26 in the 1878 List of Chinese Lights), 6 feet in diameter at water level, and surmounted by a black spherical cap, has been moved in five fathoms at low water spring tides, with the Kiutoan Lighthouse bearing S. 80° W. magnetic, and distant about 2.9 nautical miles. It marks the S. W. edge of a bank, dry at low water and only one cable to the eastward of it, and has no number painted on it.

**THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH AT THE CENTRAL SCHOOL.**  
The following correspondence is published in the *Government Gazette* of Saturday last:

**GOVERNMENT CENTRAL SCHOOL, Hongkong, 1st March, 1878.**  
Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that this school was re-opened to-day after the Chinese New Year holidays. There were 218 applicants for admission, and only 40 vacant seats.

I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
FREDERICK STEWART,  
Head Master.

The Hon. J. GARDINER AUSTIN,  
C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

**Minute by His Excellency the Governor.**  
Immediate.

Request Mr STEWART to have a list made out of all the pupils now on the books of the Central School, marking with red ink the names of the pupils who can speak English.

J. POPE HENNESSY.

**Minute by the Inspector of Schools.**  
In accordance with His Excellency's request, I enclose a list of the names, 463 in number, of all the scholars on the books of the Central School at this date. They compose the nine English classes into which the scholars are divided.

As the "speaking of English," that is, the ability to converse in the English language, is a term of variable application, I have thought it advisable to arrange the list under the following headings, namely:—

1. Those marked A, numbering 3, who are English or other European boys speaking English idiomatically.

2. Those marked B, numbering 33, who are European and Indian boys speaking English with considerable fluency.

3. Those marked C, numbering 19, who are Chinese boys speaking English with considerable fluency.

4. Those marked D, numbering 58, who speak English with diffidence.

5. Those marked E, numbering 386, who cannot be said to "speak English" at all.

FREDERICK STEWART,  
Inspector of Schools,  
Government Central School,  
6th March, 1878.

[Here follows List.]

To A. FALCONER, Esq.,  
Acting Head Master,  
Government Central School.

Add to the above the age of each boy, and the number of months each has been in the Government Central School, for the information of His Excellency the Governor.

E. J. KYLE,  
Acting Inspector of Schools,  
Hongkong, 12th March, 1878.

**Minute by His Excellency the Governor.**  
1. Publish in the *Gazette* Mr STEWART's report on the result of his own examination of the pupils in the Central School as to their capacity for speaking English.

2. To the register number of each pupil should be added, his nationality, his age, length of time at the Central School, and (using in every case the words of Mr STEWART) his power of speaking English.

3. In the list as copied by one of my clerks a mistake was made respecting No. 355 who was actually only twenty-two months at the School, whereas in the copy put into my hands he was stated to have been 10 years and 2 months at School.

Before sending Mr STEWART's report and the list of pupils to the printer, I should be glad if Mr KYLE would be good enough to have the list carefully compared with the results obtained by Mr STEWART at his examination in last March and with the records of the Central School.

J. F. FORBES, Esq.,  
6th April, 1878.  
[Here follows List.]

### Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates sitting.)  
May 6, 1878.

**DRUNKENNESS.**  
Joseph Corcoran and Thomas Smith, seamen belonging to the American barque *St. Johnstone*, were charged with the above offence. The 2nd defendant admitted the offence. The 1st defendant, who admitted being drunk, was discharged with a caution; the 2nd defendant was fined \$2 and ordered to pay 10 cents to licensed hawker No. 63.

Baptiste Klean, seaman French barque *Genevieve*, was fined 20 cents for being found drunk in a chair.

Bernard Coine, Marine U.S.S. *Ranger*, was charged with being drunk in the streets and was discharged with a caution.

James Robertson, seaman steamer *Argyll*, was fined 50 cents for being found lying drunk on the Praya. He admitted the offence.

Arthur Bonadies, cook steamer *Lombardy*, was fined 50 cents for drunkenness.

Henry Walker, fireman, John Lindmann, seaman steamer *Marvia*, was fined 50 cents each. Defendants admitted being drunk.

Thomas Howard, a seaman residing at the Sailors' Home, was fined 50 cents.

Maurice Cook, seaman American ship *Freeman Clark*, was charged with being drunk and refusing to pay chair hire, and was ordered to pay 50 cents chair-hire and 10 cents amends for loss of time.

**SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A EUROPEAN.**  
Howard Benton Stephenson, Chief Officer American barque *Ceylon*, was charged on an information laid by Detective Sergeant Toomey, with stealing a silver watch, a diamond ring, one set of gold studs, a silver-mounted pipe, and a waistcoat, besides other articles, the property of Captain Pitman of the S. S. *Douglas*, on the 2nd March last, from his room at the Hongkong Hotel.

Sergeant Toomey, sworn, stated that he laid an information on the 4th instant and obtained a search warrant. He did not find any of the stolen property on board the *Ceylon*. The defendant was on board the vessel when the search was made, and he was taken into custody owing to other information he had received concerning a diamond earring, part of the property stolen.

He asked the defendant if he had signed his name as Davis to orders for liquor at the Hongkong Hotel, to which the defendant replied that he might have done so.

George D. Pitman, sworn, stated he was commander of the S. S. *Douglas*. On the 25th or 27th of February last, he occupied a room at the Hongkong Hotel, and remained there until the 4th March. On the evening of the 2nd March he discovered that he had been robbed of certain articles of clothing and jewellery, valued at about \$100.

The articles had been taken from various places in witness's room, and some of the articles of clothing he had seen the previous evening, but the jewellery he had not seen for several days. He missed the articles about 7 p.m. The room door was not locked.

Sergeant Toomey showed him his (witness's) diamond ring about a fortnight back, but (witness) had not seen any other of the stolen articles. The first time witness had seen the defendant was in this Court.

Dhrmadass Dayoomall, sworn, stated that the defendant came to his shop (68 Queen's Road Central) on the 2nd March, and showed a diamond earring, the same as the one which witness ultimately agreed to give him \$8, \$5 of which amount was to be taken in goods. The defendant signed the paper produced, he signed it "H. Davis, ship Signor." The defendant came on the 4th March and selected a silk umbrella and 6 silk handkerchiefs. Witness kept the ring 7 or 8 days and then sold it to Inspector Lee for \$10. In reply to the defendant witness said he was sure defendant was the man who sold him the ring. At that time the defendant had a large beard.

A clerk at the Hongkong Hotel said he sometimes assisted at the Bar. The defendant frequented the Hotel. He first went there on the 28th February, and continued to do so until the 7th March. The defendant owed about \$17 for drinks and meals. He signed bills "H. Davis." On the 2nd March the defendant visited the Hotel Stand at the Race Course and gave orders there. The defendant visited the Hotel the same evening. He had a large beard at that time.

The case was remanded until Monday next, the 13th instant.

**LARCENY.**  
Cheung Ahn, a coolie, was sent to 6 months' hard labour for stealing a pillow-box containing \$12 in silver, from the steamer *Kiungking*. He was arrested by P. C. Campbell.

Wong Ahn, a coolie, was sent to one month's hard labour for stealing a fowl.

Wong Aitai, a coolie, was sent to three months' hard labour for stealing a silk handkerchief from the person of a seaman named Leopold St. Jean.

Ma Afun, a carpenter, was sent to six months' hard labour for stealing a watch from the person of a boy named Eugenio dos Remedios.

**LONDON GOSSIP.**  
(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The wandering minstrel—who, by the way, are the only purely amateur orchestral society in the world, for no professional element mixes with them—were good enough to invite me to their hundred and eighth smoking concert. I went and look back at it with more than infinite pleasure. The music was superb: as a rule, in England, for the sake of shortening the performance, the Ballet music, in the six aspects, is omitted, and it is only on an occasion such as the one I am briefly reviewing that one gets the chance of hearing it. These minstrels played it with a rarity of execution and perfection of touch. The assemblage was at Lord Fitzgerald's house in Sloane Street, his bank garden being, with a view to the furtherance of the art he loves, been covered in and made an excellent concert hall. Rare earlons (and distant lands) around the walls, and not a few of any style of clothes you choose; you smoke, and are supplied with as much good whiskey and water as you choose—but you don't want much liquid with the splendid music you hear.

During an interval at the above concert, a friend told me a story which ran as follows, and which I humbly deem worth

quoting. A certain man purchased a horse at a sale with all faults. He was pleased with his bargain. Later on the request owner of the horse was pointed out to the purchaser, who accented him thus, "I have bought your horse," quoth he, "no, just to prepare me, will you, as any faults he may possess?" The reply was, "Oh, he has only two faults; the one is he is difficult to catch when loose in the field." That appeared of small moment, the new owner expressed himself as deeming that of little account. "The other," continued the ex-owner, "is that when you do catch him, he isn't worth a d—"

I mentioned the other day when writing you, concerning an extraordinary performance of a sword-swallower at the fashionable Canterbury. If any proof were needed that the astounding feat were genuine, it certainly was given last night, when the performer, swallowing a bayonet, with a quickness, suddenly was left with three-quarters of the cold steel in his throat, the bayonet having snapped in thrust. With great presence of mind, Signor Bonaditti bowed to the audience, and smartly moved off the stage when the blade was taken from his throat. It was not until he went back with the broken steel in his hand, that the people knew of the narrow escape he had had. His throat was somewhat lacerated, and he kept spitting blood for about half-an-hour. I may add that he gave a special, though private, performance to a lot of medical men, who all testified to the marvellous worth of the entertainment. Sword-swallowing is not practised by Europeans, but none that I have seen can touch this Swede. The first performance of the kind given in London, happened about thirty years ago, when an Indian swallowed a sword about eighteen inches long, at the Victoria Theatre, but this man deals with regulation swords.

One of the next naval aide-de-camps to the Queen will probably be Captain Baird, who has served, like most other distinguished officers, in your China seas. He is a grandson of the late Sir David Baird, the hero of Seringapatam, and brother to the Captain Baird of the 42nd (Black Watch) Highlanders, who was killed fighting at Assatene. It is a little story about his grandmother's opinion of her husband that I am going to tell you—it has often been told before, but still is worth repeating. Sir David was taken prisoner, and some one reported the circumstance to his wife, and informed her how he would be chained to some mill-gang. The old Scotch lady gave a bland smile and quietly remarked, "I peep the man who's chained to our Davy."

The half-mad person who fired a paper bullet at the Master of the Rolls is to be "detained during Her Majesty's pleasure." This term always strikes me as being a very polite and complimentary one; but I suppose Her Majesty's pleasure begins and ends there. I shall not mention the judge's name, but when he was discussing the matter with a friend he remarked, "Why, no judge is safe. Here is one being fired at with a pistol, and some scoundrel threw a rotten egg at me." His friend replied, "A pistol and a rotten egg—your see that makes the difference in the judge."

I have run across a good many petted animals in my time, but the disclosures I heard the other day at a dog-poisoning case being tried, bears off the palm. The evidence was far from conclusive as to whether for this was the criminal charge—the landlady poisoned her lodger's dog or not. But I purpose only telling you of the "lying in state" of the dead pug. The evidence of the servants showed that, on the night of the dog's death, its owner, a lady, sat in the room with the corpse all night. The Veterinary Surgeon was sent for—he could do no good; a Professor of chemistry was sent for, but he was useless; finally, the Bishop of the diocese was sent for, but prayers were powerless for a dog. The dog was buried in the north of Scotland, then exhumed, and, finally, placed in the east-offices of the lady owner, placed in a dead-box, and accompanied by the lady and her groom, the "funeral" started for the south of Scotland, where, in a family vault, the remains were placed. And we pass by, every day of our lives, the halt, the blind, the hungry; we pass them by, and give our groans good watches—at least, as this Ophelia did—with inscriptions. "To the memory of Juno." Now, Juno was a dog.

For a little time, at least, while the gloaming of Lent is upon us, a quiet revilla on our enjoyments at dance and play-houses. There is a great decrease in the takings at the various theatres, and dances are things almost unknown. It is—

going to say nothing—no notice girls going silently into evening prayers at the churches. Girls in England of late, have become far more religious than their wont. They are still as lively, frank, pleasant, and—English, but church has become more a part and parcel of their lives. It is not over-deep religion, more, perhaps, a sentiment, and much brought about by High Church tendencies and semi-confessional. Curates, now a days, do more than lollo over a game of croquet.

**SHANGHAI SPRING MEETING.**  
FIRST DAY,  
Monday, 29th April, 1878.

Everything to-day has seemed to combine to make things pleasant for everybody. The stands have been fairly patronized, and the roads round the course, so far as they extend, have been crowded to an extent we never remember to have seen equalled. The vendors of comestibles have had a fair harvest, and there were some shows which appeared to be very popular, judging from the crowds around them. One was a large show of the Funch and Judy—

show I saw at Funch and Judy—being at least four times the size of any ordinary show; and the performance was as superior as were the dimensions. The figures which were dressed just as on a real Chinese stage made all the movements that the living actors do, and with as much grace. A peep show too there was, on a scale quite surpassing any we are accustomed to, containing splendid race pictures in series, Exhibition buildings, *non multa alia*, besides a goodly number of Chinese pictures, nearly as well executed in some instances as the foreign ones. There was much enjoyment among the crowds and very little quarrelling; and that is saying a great deal.

The band was a scratch band, with diff-

culty got together for the occasion; and did as well as could be expected. It served to lighten the delays.

**2.—THE CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES.**—A Sweepstakes of 15 lbs. each, with 150 staked. For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, 15 lbs. extra.—One Mile.

Paul's Black Satin.....15 1 10 8... 1  
Siwell's Toleration.....13 1 10 8... 2  
St. George's Infatuation.....13 1 10 8... 3  
Betting.—Black Satin against the field.  
Toleration second favourite.

Considerable interest was taken in this race; doubts were expressed as to whether the old favourite, *Black Satin*, which appeared in as good form as ever, would justify supporters. Five out of the thirteen entered appeared before the starter; and the lot got away well together. *Toleration* took the lead immediately after starting, *Marquis Posa* being second, and *Masaniello* third. On reaching the three-quarter post, *Black Satin* led, but soon yielded to *Toleration*, *Marquis Posa* returning to her second place. At the Gardens *Black Satin* and *Toleration* were even, and ran in this order for some time, when, after passing the Monument, *Black Satin* pushed slightly ahead, having almost immediately however to surrender the chance temporarily to *Toleration*, who led into the straight. *Black Satin*'s rider then cleverly took the rail hand, and the two named came along together a short distance. The black favourite then showed in a capital style, maintaining its previous reputation, and won cleverly by about half-a-length. The time was one of the quickest on record; the first quarter being done in 34 secs., the second in 80½ secs., the third in 52 secs.; and the last in 39 secs., total, 2m. 3½ secs.

**6.—THE YANGTZE STAKES.**—Value, 150. For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Two Miles and a Half.

Paul's Black Satin.....15 1 10 8... 1  
Siwell's Toleration.....13 1 10 8... 2  
St. George's Infatuation.....13 1 10 8... 3  
Betting.—Three to one against *Black Satin*.  
Three to one against *Black Satin*.

Twenty entered for this race, but only seven started. *Nimrod* soon ran into first place, closely followed by *Clavio*. Half way round *Wild Lark* led; and there were several changes of position in the next half mile. On passing the Grand Stand *Clavio* was first, *Grey Mole* second and *Nimrod* third. This order was maintained till nearing the Monument, when *Egmont* secured first place, *Wild Lark* second, and *Clavio* third. Opposite Mr. Morris's, *Egmont* ran into second place; and the race was between that pony and *Egmont*. The latter gradually increased the lead, winning easily in a canter. Time, 5m. 53secs.

**SECOND DAY,**  
Tuesday, 30th April, 1878.

Many must have felt disappointed this morning at seeing a decided postponement for more rain; but perhaps of all none more so than those who, encouraged by the splendid weather of the previous day, had made large preparations for meeting the wants of pleasure seekers. However the comfort of those visiting the stands at the Race course was certainly enhanced by the coolness of the day; and as it happened the people came out in numbers hardly looked for, and all were well pleased. The rain had not been sufficient materially to affect the course; the racing on the whole was good, and those who were present were well repaid. The Grand Stand, if it did not present quite so gay an appearance as yesterday, was still reasonably well attended, and there were more ladies present than have been expected. About 4 p.m. the sun came out, and brightened the close of a very enjoyable day's sport.

**1.—THE SHANGHAI CUP.**—Value, 150. For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winners of 15 lbs. in China or Hongkong since 1st October, 1877, 7 lbs. extra; two or more Races, 10 lbs. extra.—Entrance, 15 lbs. 5.—Half-a-Mile.

Paul's Black Satin.....15 1 11 4... 1  
O'Leary's Antiquary.....13 2 10 11... 2  
Ten brock's Wild Lark.....13 1 11 4... 3  
Betting.—Black Satin against the field; 10 to 1 on a place.

Six started out of the twenty-three entered. A bad start was made. *Wild Lark* was the first to show to the front; closely followed by *Antiquary* and *Black Satin* being third. The latter was carrying 10 lbs. extra, and in the preliminary canter it did not seem to be in its usual condition. Under these circumstances, the pony lost a little favour, but as events showed it proved well worthy of support. On nearing the Monument, *Antiquary* secured second place, and on entering the straight *Wild Lark* was still leading, *Black Satin* being some distance to the rear. Opposite Morris's, the latter pony began to display its usual powers, and every stride improved its position; but it was not till near the Bella Vue that it seemed to have a good chance of winning. From that point, however, though not hardly ridden, its speed was splendid; and it won easily by about a couple of lengths. Time, 59 secs.

**4.—THE RACE CLUB CUP.**—Value, 150. For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winners at this Meeting of a Race of one mile or under, to carry 15 lbs. extra; of over a mile, 7 lbs. extra.—penalties accumulative up to 10 lbs.—Entrance, 15 lbs. 5.—Two Miles.

Ten brock's Wild Lark.....13 1 10 11... 1  
Do Vere's Glencairn.....13 0 10 7... 2  
Paul's Egmont.....13 1 11 4... 3  
Jaeger's Nimrod.....13 1 10 8... 0  
Raffie's Erebidoune.....13 1 10 8... 0  
Minor's Earl Oscar.....13 0 11 8... 0  
St. George's Rolleur.....13 0 11 8... 0  
Bill's O'Leary.....13 0 11 8... 0  
Betting.—Egmont against the field.  
Nine of the thirty entered came before the starter. The ponies got away well to gether. *Chieftain* taking the lead and holding it till the last half mile; *Glencairn* being well up for most of the distance, but before entering the straight the last time, *Chieftain* fell behind and *Wild Lark* came to the front, *Glencairn* being close up. The

two ran well together, but *Wild Lark* succeeded in winning by about a head. Time, 4 min. 57½ secs.

**THIRD DAY,**  
Wednesday, 1st May, 1878.

Another unpromising morning, followed by a most agreeable afternoon for the sports.

**5.—THE KIANG-SU PLATE.**—Value, 150. For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, 15 lbs. 5.—One Mile and Three quarters.

Siwell's Toleration.....13 1 10 8... 1  
Paul's Egmont.....13 1 10 8... 2  
Ten brock's Wild Lark.....13 1 10 8... 0  
Betting.—5 to 1 on *Egmont*; 2 to 1 against *Toleration*.

Only four out of the 31 entered started. *Erebidoune* soon took the lead and led past the stand in the first round. *Toleration* being second. This order was maintained till near the Gardens, when *Erebidoune* fell back and *Egmont* and *Toleration* pushed to the front together. *Toleration* led into the straight with *Egmont* close behind; and the lead being gradually increased, the race was won in a canter. Time, 2m. 7secs.

**7.—THE CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES.**—A forced entry for winners; optional for the winner of the Roadster's Plate or the Consolation Cup, and all other Ponies that have run at this Meeting.—Weight for inches as per scale.—15 lbs. each.—Winners of two or more Races at this Meeting, 15 lbs. 5.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Rink's Strathavon.....10 9 11... 1  
Paul's Black Satin.....10 8 11... 2  
Minor's Earl Oscar.....11 5 0... 0  
Earl Harold.....11 5 0... 0  
Earl Brian.....10 8 0... 0  
Spy's Abaddon.....10 4 0... 0  
John Peel's Ballatorum.....10 12 0... 0  
Avily's Bret Harte.....11 5 0... 0  
Betting.—Three to five to one on *Black Satin*.

Eight started. After three attempts the ponies got away in pretty good order, *Abaddon* taking the lead; *Bret Harte* being second, *Black Satin* next. At the Gardens, *Earl Brian* and *Abaddon* ran in front together, but before the Straight *Black Satin* secured second place. *Strathavon* now came along with a rush and took the lead before reaching Bella Vue, maintaining it to the finish, winning easily by three or four lengths. Time, 2 min. 44½ secs.

**China.**  
SHANGHAI.  
(News.)

It is notified that the steamers *Tahyew* and *Europe* will call at Wanchow in future, en route to and from Foochow, every alternate trip.

The new steamer *Ocean King*, the last addition to the fleet of the well-known King line, arrived on Saturday. She has been built specially to win the forthcoming tea race, and, judging from her passage out, she will be found no mean rival to the *Loudoun Castle* and *Glencairn*. Her steaming time from Greenock to Wanchow is 37 days, 19 hours, 10 minutes and 48 seconds; her time between the different ports en route being as follows:

Days H. M. S.  
From Greenock to Port Said 23 0 0  
Time in the Canal.....1 13 15 0  
From Suez to Singapore.....17 15 48  
" Singapore to Hongkong 5 20 0  
" Hongkong to Wanchow 3 14 35 0  
37 10 10 48

She will load tea at Hankow, and will leave as early as possible. We understand that, for the race next year, the same firm intends to have another new steamer built to be called the *Sea King*, which is to be superior to the present one.

Feng Tactai is dead. He arrived here late on Monday night, after his long journey beyond the frontier (lasting nearly a year) in search of his father's bones. But he had caught fever at Kiukiang on his way down the river, and died an hour or two after his arrival in Shanghai. Feng and Mr. Mayers were the principal negotiators of the railway convention. The similarity of their deaths is rather remarkable. Chu, the present acting Tactai, could not go to Races yesterday as he had intended, on account of this event.

Some of our readers may remember, a year or two ago, in time of drought, that a certain "iron tablet" was brought to Shanghai, whereupon rain at once descended; and the tablet was sent back to its usual repository. The *Gazette* of the 28th March mentions the arrival of the same venerable relic, and, curiously enough, latest Peking advices mention that rain has again fallen! Whether it is due to the arrival of the "iron tablet," or to the intercession of the high mandarins who were sent to the Black Dragon temple in Shantung, may of course be an open question.

The same *Gazette* gives Shen Pao-chen three months' leave of absence for the recovery of his health, and appoints the present Futai of Kiangsu to act in his stead, the Fantai acting as Governor.

(Courier.)  
The Russian gun-boat *Sokol* left the port yesterday. The Am. gun-boat *Falco* left for Chefoo at same time and the Am. corvette *Monoway* had also sailed for Japan.

The *Str. Stad Haarlem* and *Peking* clear today (May 1st) for Hankow, to load new season Tea to London; shortly will follow the *Loudoun Castle*, *Glencairn*, *Hankow*, *Ocean King*, *Glenartney*, *Radnorshire*, *Flintshire* and *Glenam*.

The Agent in New York of Professor Hall, the discoverer of the Telephone, has entrusted to Mr. Knight, U. S. Consul at Newchwang, for presentation to His Excellency Li the Viceroy of Chihli, two sets of beautifully made telephones. These instruments are such as have been presented to the Queen of England, and to the Emperor of Brazil, and are intended as a token of high respect.

The N. O. Daily News of this morning, gives the text of an address from the citizens of Newhaven, to the U. S. Congress, recommending that the balance remaining in hand of the money paid by the Chinese as indemnity to American Merchants, and which amounts, after paying all claims, to \$240,000, should be handed over towards the relief of the sufferers by famine in China. It is a good suggestion, appearing from Dr. Williams. It will be remembered that this gentleman

was in charge of the American Legation during the period of the time when the subject of the indemnity was under discussion; and if our memory be faithful, the money was paid to him. He is now settled at Newhaven, and a Chinese professorship having been established at Yale college there, he has been presented to the chair. The reports and appeal connected with the Northern calamity have been forwarded to him, and thus it is that the memorial emanates from Newhaven. There are two advantages arising from Dr. Williams' having the matter in hand. One is that no one knows so well as he everything connected with the claim, and the surplus remaining; and the other is, that he is most deservingly high in favour at Washington.

**TIENTSIN.**  
April 22nd, 1878.

The long drought was broken on the 20th instant by a considerable fall of rain, which, although not all that could be desired, is yet valuable. It is uncertain whether it was general, if so, it will prove to be beyond all price, and may do something toward saving the wheat crop. In some parts of the interior, there has been no snow now mentioning during the winter, and no rain has fallen since the 7th month of last year.

The authorities have now opened four relief yards in widely distant localities, but it is not known what is to be expected from them. The rush of applicants for relief is overwhelming, and the arrangements are such as to cause great suffering. A yard full of people is collected, who are registered and assigned to some one of the relief-dispensing head-quarters, which may happen to be several miles away from their homes, if the destitute in this year can be said to have any homes. A place of registration was selected outside the city, and at a distance from it, and the heavy rain of Saturday made it very difficult for the poor people to move about at all. On Sunday morning many dead bodies were found in the streets, in the short space between the drum tower and the south gate three were observed, and were left in the middle of the road until noon. Outside the west gate however, where poor most congregated, the deaths have been, it is said, a score a day for months, inasmuch that the headmen made no effort to gather up the bodies until the middle of the night, when they could be all disposed of together.

The C. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Pautah*, which won the race to the Taku bar at the opening of navigation in the middle of March, in ascending the river fouled a junk, which like all other junks, should have been somewhere else. The junk owner claimed about sixteen thousand taels damages, which he justly considered would enable him to buy a fleet of junks for the steamer to collide with again, thus opening the door to rapid fortune.

Instead of going to a Consulate, as both the parties to the suit are subject to native jurisdiction, the case went to the Custom's Tactai, with no evidence except that of the junkmen, who lost the case on his own showing and was fined Ts. 200 besides, which the benevolent C. M. S. N. Co. remitted. It is to be hoped that this case—the first of its kind to be thus decided, may have a good moral influence over other junk owners and masters, and lead them to keep out of the fairway of steamers.

The steamers continue to pour in grain much faster than it can be taken away. Native craft of every description are extraordinarily active, and receiving lofty prices for transportation. Both boats and carts are almost beyond the reach of ordinary travellers.—*Shanghai Courier*.

**Quotations.**  
HONGKONG, May 6, 1878.

**OPIUM.**—New Patna, cash, \$575 a 580 credit,  
" Old Patna



